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TO: The Chairman and Members
of the MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report on the health of the Midhurst Rural District and the work of the Public Health Department during the Year 1972.

I would like to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their support, and to the Senior Public Health Inspector and all Members of the Staff for their work during the Year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant

V.P. GEOGHEGAN

Medical Officer of Health

I N T R O D U C T I O N

On the First of April, 1974, this North West corner of Sussex which has for so long been the Midhurst Rural District and for many years before that the territory of the Midhurst Union or Board of Guardians of the Poor, will lose its separate identity and become part of the Chichester District Council.

Few of the older generation can witness this change without a hint of regret, first at the disappearance from local administration of a name which has for more than a hundred years typified Rural England, and secondly at the increased remoteness of local government which the change entails in physical terms at least.

There can be no doubt on practical grounds that a radical reform of local government was overdue. The system devised and put into operation for Mid Victorian England has become outdated and in some ways inefficient. Those conditions calling so loudly for sanitary reform in 1875 no longer exist and consequently the work of the Medical Officer of Health and the Inspector of Nuisances - (Sanitary Inspector - Public Health Inspector) has changed almost beyond recognition. Whether the modern equation that "Bigger is Better" will prove to be true in its application to rural administration remains to be seen.

Annual Reports going back as far as 1875 are available and figures extracted from these show that the population increased by 39.8% in the 70 years between 1901 and 1971. (In the previous 60 years up to 1901 the increase was only 2%):

	1901	1921	1931	1951	1961	1971
Population	13,612	14,550	14,700	16,730	17,520	19,054
No.of Houses	2,999	-	4,000	5,101	5,903	7,218
Persons per House	4.54	-	3.67	3.28	2.96	2.64
Crude Birth Rate	22.1	18.14	13.06	13.86	12.95	9.6
Crude Death Rate	14.3	10.17	11.02	12.13	14.21	14.8
Infant Mort. Rate	88.	52.	42.5	25.5	13.42	16.64

(Figures for 1941 are not included as they were unrepresentative due to movements of population during the war. The Infant Mortality Rate given is the average over the five years up to the year specified)

Interpretation of figures for 'Persons per House' over the years is complicated. Firstly, the average size of family has

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decreased so that there is a tendency for a given population to occupy more houses.

Furthermore, in comparing the average number of people per house in 1901 (4.5) with the figure for 1960 (2.9), the improvement is much greater than the figures alone indicate. The houses now generally occupied have on the whole much better facilities, so that even if the persons per house had not decreased, the general level of comfort and convenience would still be much higher.

The most striking statistical improvement shows in the Infant Mortality Rates. 88 Children out of every thousand born in 1901 died in their first year of life. This figure is now less than 17. (Over the same period the Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales has been reduced from 151 per thousand to 21.7).

The age distribution of the population has changed showing an increasing percentage of old people up to 1961. The 1971 census shows, surprisingly, a drop in this percentage but the diagram on Page 8 shows that this drop is unlikely to continue :

<u>% of Census Population over the Age of 65 Years</u>			
<u>Year</u>	<u>Midhurst R.D.</u>	<u>West Sussex</u>	<u>England & Wales</u>
1931	10.1	11.1	7.4
1951	15.5	17.2	10.9
1961	16.1	18.8	11.9
1971	13.2	20.9	13.1

That the services and activities of the Rural District Council have expanded somewhat since the beginning of the century is illustrated by the following extract from the Annual Report for 1901 by Dr. Charles Kelly :

"Scavenging and Cleansing"

"Contracts were again entered into for the removal of house refuse and cleansing of earth closets, privies and cess-pools in the parish of Easebourne, and during the year 39 cesspools and privies were cleansed at a cost of £58.17.6d. Removal of house refuse £24.

Removal of house refuse twice a week is also carried out in Midhurst at a cost of £75."

The parish of Midhurst itself was at that time provided with a drainage system but this was generally admitted to be unsatisfactory and a lively argument was going on between the Rural Council, the Local Government Board, Lord Egmont and the Midhurst Parish Council about a new sewerage system, and the acquisition of the necessary land. This matter was eventually settled and the new sewerage

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system with disposal works at Pitsham came into operation in 1905.

In 1901, which was a typical year for the period in this respect, there were 11 deaths from infectious diseases - 2 each from Enteric, Erysipelas, Dysentery and Rheumatic Fever, and 1 from each of the following : Scarlatina, Diphtheria and Measles. No deaths have been recorded from any of these diseases for many years now, whereas in 1901 they accounted for 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % of all the deaths in the district.

It is impossible in a short review to do justice to nearly a century of local history. Power in local government passed from the appointed Justices of the Peace to an elected Council, and the problems confronting that Council changed from the improvement of sanitary conditions (which in the last quarter of the nineteenth century were by present standards almost unbelievable) to the still uncompleted task of providing enough housing for the people in the district.

The Medical Officer of Health was largely concerned with the control of infectious disease, and his technical armament in this battle was very small. With the single exception of vaccination against Smallpox he could offer no protection beyond early detection of new cases and isolation of patients and contacts. In the Annual Report for 1883, Dr. Charles Kelly gives an enthralling narrative of an outbreak of Smallpox caused by infected rags brought to the paper mill at Iping for the manufacture of blotting paper. Before the epidemic came to an end there had been 19 cases with 5 deaths and among the steps taken to limit the spread of infection a tented hospital had been set up on Stedham Common in which 9 cases were nursed.

With improvements in immunisation, treatment and general hygiene, the decline in sickness and mortality from Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Poliomyelitis, Measles, Smallpox and Tuberculosis, has been progressive. The point has now been reached when routine vaccination of infants against Smallpox is no longer considered necessary or justified, Diphtheria has not been seen in the area for 38 years, and Tuberculosis is becoming a rarity. (1 new non-pulmonary case in 1972 compared with 5 (3 pulmonary) cases in 1961 and 15 (13 pulmonary) in 1951).

Two world wars within the last 60 years had their impact upon the district. The appalling casualties of the first war affected principally the generation which was born a few years before the turn of the century and even in a small population such as that of Midhurst, the decimation of this age group can still be perceived in the shape of the population over the years (diagram on page 8).

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The second war had more immediate social effects. Evacuation of the civil population from vulnerable centres such as Portsmouth brought many people and many problems to this area but apart from an increase in the crowd infestations (particularly scabies and the head louse) neither of which were on a major scale, the general health of the population remained remarkably good. In fact it is generally accepted that the effect of food rationing, however inconvenient, was overall a beneficial one.

There are many stories still untold about evacuation, requisition of houses and their conversion into family units. A great deal of hard work was done both by members and officers in those days.

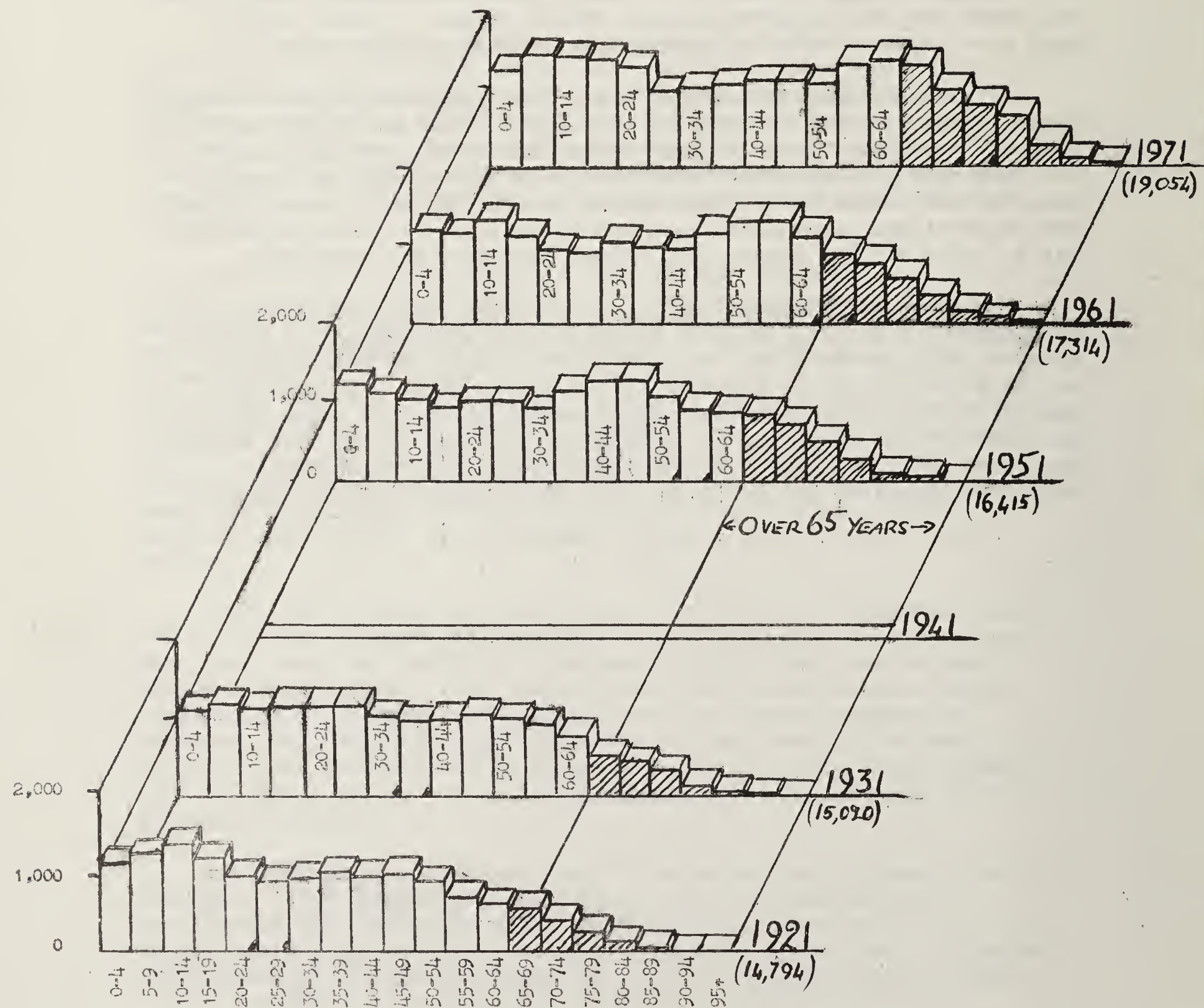
After the war it seemed that one of the principal problems facing Councils all over the country for some years would be the provision of houses. Perhaps nobody realised in the immediate post war years just how long this problem would take to solve. Nationally it is still unsolved and locally a housing waiting list of 508 tells something of the frustrations experienced by a Council which has striven since the war to build all the houses that higher authority has permitted.

To end on an optimistic note, whatever the long term effects of reorganisation may be, it is to be hoped that the district of which Midhurst will become a part will be as well served by its officers as the present district has been served in the past. To mention individuals would be invidious, but I cannot leave this scene after 25 years without recording my sincere appreciation of the ever willing co-operation I have received from the staff of the Public Health Department and from the Officers in all Departments of the Council.

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MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT - CENSUS POPULATION

Five Year Age Groups
1921-1971
(No Census in 1941)



Section I

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The District is an agricultural and residential one occupying the North-Western corner of West Sussex. The Counties of Hampshire and Surrey lie to the West and North respectively, Chichester Rural District to the South, and Petworth to the East.

Apart from agriculture, there are other minor industries providing employment, and holiday traffic brings a considerable amount of trade to hotels and cafes.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in :	Acres	..	..	67,035
	Square Miles		..	104.6
Number of Parishes	..	..	..	22
Registrar-General's estimate of Population :				
			1971 mid-year	19,430
			1971 census	19,054
			1972 mid-year	19,710
Number of Dwellings	..	..	..	7,341
Rateable Value (March 1973)		..	..	£ 882,564
Sum represented by a Penny Rate (March 1973)				£ 8,250

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births

MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT								Birth Rate per 1,000 Population		
Total Number (after adjustment for transfers)						Birth Rate per 1,000 population		West Sussex Districts		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegitimate		Crude		Rural	Urban	
		M	F	Number	%		Corr.			
1971	187	93	94	11	5.9	9.6	10.8	16.9	14.5	16.0
1972	191	93	98	12	6.	9.7	11.3	14.2	13.7	14.8

Stillbirths

MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT				Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) Births	
Total Number (after adjustment for transfers)				Midhurst Rural District	England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex			
		M	F		
1971	5	3	2	26.	12.
1972	3	1	2	15.	12.

Vital Statistics (contd.)

Total (Live and Still) Births

		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Live Births	..	93	98	191
Still Births	..	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
TOTALS		<u>94</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>194</u>

Infant Mortality - Deaths of Infants under 1 Year

INFANT DEATHS					RATES PER 1000 LIVE BIRTHS			
MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT					Midhurst R.D.	West Sussex		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegit- imate		R.D's.	U.D's.	
		M	F					
1971	2	1	1	-	11.	14.	16.	18.
1972	-	-	-	-	-	8.	17.	17.

Infant Mortality Rates - Midhurst Rural District		
Year	Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births
1971	11.	Nil
1972	Nil	Nil

	Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths under 4 Weeks)		Early Neo- Natal Mortality (Deaths under 1 Week)		Perinatal Mort. (Stillbirths & Deaths under 1 Week combined)	
	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971
Total Deaths ..	-	1	-	1	3	5
Mortality Rate per 1000 live births	-	5.	-	5.		
Mortality Rate per 1000 total live & still births					15.	31.

Deaths

MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT						WEST SUSSEX DISTRICTS		ENGLAND AND WALES
Total Deaths (after adjustment for transfers)				Death Rates per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population
Year	Total	Sex		Crude	Corr.	Rural	Urban	
		M	F					
1971	287	131	156	14.8	9.2	8.6	9.9	11.6
1972	291	151	140	14.8	8.6	9.9	10.2	12.1

When dealing with a small population such as that of this District, a certain random fluctuation from year to year in Birth and Death Rates is to be expected. This is illustrated by the figures for the last ten years on Page 14.

Of the total deaths recorded during 1972, 244 or 84% occurred in persons aged 65 years or over, and of these, 174 or 60% occurred in persons aged 75 years or over. The chief causes of death in order of frequency were :

	<u>1972</u>	<u>1971</u>
(i) diseases of heart & circulatory system	107(37%)	91(32%)
(ii) neoplasms	48(16%)	41(14%)
(iii) cerebrovascular disease ..	47(16%)	70(24%)
(iv) respiratory diseases ..	51(18%)	46(16%)

These four causes accounted for 253 or 87% of the total deaths. The tables on pages 12 and 13 show the age, sex distribution and causes of death in 1972.

During the year deaths exceeded births by 100, and the Registrar-General's estimate of population at mid 1972 (19,710) showed an increase of 280 over the 1971 estimate.

Death Rates per 1,000 population from :

	<u>1972</u>	<u>1971</u>
Pulmonary Tuberculosis .. (-)	nil	nil
Tuberculosis (Other Forms) .. (1)	0.05	nil
Respiratory diseases .. (51)	2.6	2.4
Neoplasms (growths) .. (48)	2.4	2.1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (children under 2 years)	nil	nil

Causes of Death at Different Periods of Life for the Year 1972

Causes of Death	Sex	All Ages	Weeks		Y e a r s								
			0-	4-	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-
ALL CAUSES	M	151	-	-	-	-	1	3	3	8	15	45	76
	F	140	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	14	25	98
Tuberculosis, Other	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Neoplasms:	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oesophagus	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
do. Stomach	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
do. Intestine	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	4
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
do. Lung,	M	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	3
Bronchus	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
do. Breast	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
do. Prostate	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Leukaemia	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	1
	F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	4
Diabetes Mellitus	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Other Endocrine etc. Diseases	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Mental Disorders	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
	F	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hypertensive Disease	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	M	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	7	22	17
	F	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	12
Other forms of Heart Disease	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Cerebrovascular Disease	M	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	15
	F	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7	18
Other diseases of Circulatory System	M	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	10
	F	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	11
Influenza	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	M	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	8
	F	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	29

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Causes of Death (contd.)

Causes of Death	Sex	All Ages	Weeks		Y e a r s								
			0-	4-	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-
Bronchitis and Emphysema	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	4
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other diseases of Respiratory System	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peptic Ulcer	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other diseases of Digestive System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other diseases, Genito- Urinary System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
Diseases of Musculo- Skeletal System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Congenital Anomalies	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
All Other Accidents	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Suicide and Self- Inflicted Injuries	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other External Causes	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	M	151	-	-	-	-	1	3	3	8	15	45	76
	F	140	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	14	25	98

Tables Showing Vital Statistics
for the Years 1963 - 1972

ENG. & WALES Birth Rate	YEAR	MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT							
		Est. Popula- tion	Total Live Births			Birth Rate			Natural Populat. Increase
			M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr- ected	
18.2	1963	17,890	153	112	265	14.81	1.12	16.58	- 88
18.5	1964	18,070	121	129	250	13.83	1.12	15.48	- 56
18.1	1965	18,200	116	136	252	13.84	1.12	15.50	- 55
17.7	1966	18,430	129	101	230	12.47	1.12	13.96	- 80
17.2	1967	18,850	116	123	239	12.67	1.12	14.19	- 58
16.9	1968	19,310	133	105	238	12.32	1.12	13.79	- 82
16.3	1969	19,500	105	102	207	10.6	1.12	11.9	- 82
16.0	1970	19,910	93	93	186	9.3	1.12	10.4	-150
16.0	1971	19,430	93	94	187	9.6	1.12	10.8	-100
14.8	1972	19,710	93	98	191	9.7	1.17	11.3	-100

ENG. & WALES Death Rate	YEAR	MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT									
		Total Deaths			Death Rate			Infant Deaths			Infant Death Rate
		M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr- ected	M	F	Total	
12.2	1963	163	190	353	19.73	0.65	12.82	4	1	5	18.86
11.3	1964	139	167	306	16.93	0.65	11.00	5	1	6	24.00
11.5	1965	160	147	307	16.86	0.60	10.11	2	5	7	27.7
11.7	1966	163	147	310	16.82	0.60	10.09	2	2	4	17.39
11.2	1967	147	150	297	15.75	0.59	9.29	2	2	4	16.73
11.9	1968	162	158	320	16.57	0.59	9.77	2	4	6	25.21
11.9	1969	138	151	289	14.8	0.61	9.0	2	2	4	19.
11.7	1970	137	199	336	16.9	0.62	10.5	2	-	2	11.
11.6	1971	131	156	287	14.8	0.62	9.2	1	1	2	11.
12.1	1972	151	140	291	14.8	0.58	8.6	-	-	-	-

SECTION II

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

Hospitals providing accommodation and treatment for residents of the District are as follows :

Region 8 - South-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board:

Hospital	Type	Telephone Number	Beds
<u>(a) Chichester and Graylingwell Group:</u>			
ROYAL WEST SUSSEX HOSPITAL : Broyle Road, Chichester	General	Chichester 82685	199
St.Richard's, Spitalfield Lane	General/ Maternity	Chichester 88122	488
Isolation, Spitalfields Lane	Infectious	Chichester 82126	12
GRAYLINGWELL HOSPITAL, Summersdale,	Psychiatric	Chichester 85171	860
BOGNOR REGIS CHEST HOSPITAL, Hawthorn Rd., Bognor Regis	Chest	Bognor Regis 23151	49
MIDHURST COTTAGE-HOSPITAL, Rotherfield House, Easebourne	General	Midhurst 3105	27
<u>(b) Guildford and Godalming Group:</u>			
HASLEMERE HOSPITAL	General/ Maternity	Haslemere 3105	84
<u>(c) Redhill and Netherne Group:</u>			
HORSHAM GENERAL HOSPITAL	General/ Maternity	Horsham 5454	71
<u>(d) Worthing Southlands & District Group:</u>			
SOUTHLANDS HOSPITAL, Upper Shoreham Road, Shoreham-by-Sea	General	Shoreham 2381	406
ZACHARY MERTON MATERNITY HOSPITAL, Glenville Road, Rustington	Maternity	Rustington 4155	62

Region 7 - South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board :

<u>(a) Brighton and Lewes Group:</u>			
ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL, Eastern Road, Brighton	Acute and Maternity	Brighton 66611	436

Region 15 - Wessex Regional Hospital Board :

<u>(a) Portsmouth Group:</u>			
PETERSFIELD HOSPITAL	General	Petersfield 3221	24

There is also one independent hospital - THE KING EDWARD VII HOSPITAL at EASEBOURNE.

Laboratory Service

Examinations carried out for this Authority by the Public Health Laboratory at Portsmouth were as follows :

Milk samples	..	6
Water samples	..	339

Ambulances

The Local Health Authorities (the West Sussex County Council and the Surrey County Council) provide an ambulance service, including the Ambulance Car Service, and Ambulances operate from Midhurst and Haslemere.

Home Nursing and Midwifery

General District Nurses, Midwives, Health Visitors and School Nurses, are employed by the West Sussex County Council to serve in the Rural District.

Nursing Homes

Five Nursing Homes in the District are registered by the West Sussex County Council under Section 187 of the Public Health Act, 1936, providing a total accommodation of 162 patients, mostly for aged chronic cases.

Treatment Centres and Clinics

Child Health Clinics	-	held at Midhurst and Petworth
Child Health Clinics (Weighing)	-	held at Camelsdale, Fernhurst and Rogate
Orthopaedic Clinic)	-	held at Chichester (incorporated
Eye Clinic)	-	with Royal West Sussex Hospital
Speech Therapy Clinic	-	held at Chichester, Midhurst and in Schools
Chest Clinic	-	held at Bognor Regis Chest Hospital, Hawthorn Road, Bognor Regis
Venereal Diseases Clinics	-	held at St. Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth; The Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford; and Royal West Sussex Hospital, Chichester.
Dental Clinic	-	Mobile Dental Unit operates in the area
Audiology Clinic	-	held at Chichester

National Assistance Act, 1948.

Section 47 - No action was necessary

Section 50 - Two burials were carried out during 1972.

SECTION III

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Water Supply

The following table gives details of the supplies in each Parish as at 31st December, 1972 :

Parish	Area (Square Miles)	Est. Popula- tion	No. of Houses in Parish	Houses with Piped water from		Houses with Wells, Springs, or Rainwater
				Public Mains	Private Mains	
Bpton	3.0	300	110	110	-	-
Cocking	3.9	480	173	173	-	-
Easebourne	6.9	1,860	674	463	211	-
East Lavington	3.0	550	86	31	55	-
Elsted *	6.0	200	70	65	5	-
Fernhurst	9.1	3,040	1,047	1,008	36	3
Graffham	4.5	590	237	134	101	2
Harting	12.4	1,510	582	546	35	1
Heyshott	3.5	380	146	143	3	-
Linch	2.3	70	28	13	15	-
Linchmere	3.0	1,560	562	556	6	-
Lodsworth	4.7	620	240	222	17	1
Lurgashall	7.4	600	225	179	44	2
Midhurst	1.2	3,120	1,302	1,302	-	-
Milland	7.8	910	324	315	9	-
Rogate	8.8	1,560	605	600	4	1
Stedham with Iping	4.2	940	353	314	38	1
Tillington	6.0	560	243	243	-	-
Treyford	* -	110	42	39	-	3
Trotton with Chithurst	3.0	300	121	113	6	2
West Lavington	1.0	290	105	102	3	-
Woolbeding	2.9	160	66	59	6	1
TOTALS	104.6	19,710	7,341	6,730	594	17
Percentage of Total Dwellings				91.67%	8.1%	0.23%
				99.77%		

* The area of Treyford is included in the figure shown for Elsted

WATER SUPPLIES BY STATUTORY UNDERTAKERS:

(1) North West Sussex Water Board

- (a) Rotherfield and Knightsfield Supplies, Easebourne - the Parishes of Bpton, Easebourne, Midhurst, Stedham, West Lavington and Woolbeding.

During the year 256 yards of 1½" P.V.C. relay was laid at Bpton

(a) Rotherfield and Knightsfield Supplies, Easebourne (contd.)

road; 798 yards of 4" P.V.C. main at Shamrock Inn, Bepton; 510 yards of 6" and 646 yards of 4" P.V.C. main at Willett Homes, Holmbush; 218 yards of 4" P.V.C. main at West Lavington; 73 yards of 3" P.V.C. main at Holmbush Flats; 105 yards of 6" and 102 yards of 4" P.V.C. main at Midhurst R.D.C. Holmbush Development; 506 yards of 4" P.V.C. Main at Old Buddington, Easebourne; 367 yards of 4" P.V.C. main at Ingrams Green; 452 yards of 6" ductile iron (concrete lined) at Easebourne Street.

2,001 houses are supplied from these sources.

(b) Slade Lane Bore Supply, Rogate - Parishes of Elsted, Harting, Linch, Milland, Rogate, Stedham, Treyford, Trotton and Woolbeding.

During the year 245 yards of 4" ductile iron main was laid at Terwick Mill; 102 yards of 4" P.V.C. main at Nyewood, and 670 yards of 6" P.V.C. main at Terwick Rectory.

1,724 houses are supplied from this source

(c) Lodsworth Bore Supply, Lodsworth - Parishes of Bepton, Cocking, Easebourne, East Lavington, Graffham, Heyshott, Lodsworth, Lurgashall and Tillington.

1,096 houses are supplied from this source. The above sources of supply are inter-connected.

(2) Mid Southern Water Company

(a) Oakhanger and Greatham Supply - serves the northern part of Rogate Parish and some dwellings in Harting and Milland.

244 houses are supplied from this source.

(b) The Meads and Tilford Supply - the Parishes of Fernhurst, Linchmere and some dwellings in Linch and Lurgashall.

During the year approximately 525 yards of 6" main were laid at Camelsdale in conjunction with the West Sussex County Council road works to replace old 4" main.

1,627 houses are supplied from this source.

The North West Sussex Water Board are the statutory undertakers for the southern part of the district and the Mid Southern Water Company for the northern part.

The public mains water supply to the district has been satisfactory in quality and quantity.

Sampling

339 samples of water were taken and submitted for examination, and the following table gives details of the results obtained :

Sampling (contd.)

Source	Samples Taken	Bacteriological Examination	
		Satis.	Unsatis.
North West Sussex Water Board	89	73	16
Mid Southern Water Company	18	18	-
Private Estate Supplies	146	95	51
Individual Private Supplies	86	31	55
TOTALS	339	217	122

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGEDetails of Dwellings and Means of Drainage

Parish	Number of Houses in Parish	Houses Drained to Sewer	Houses Drained to Septic Tanks or Cesspools	Houses with Earth, Pail or Chemical Closets
Bepton	110	49	61	-
Cocking	173	145	28	-
Easebourne	674	565	109	-
East Lavington	86	-	85	1
Elsted	70	14	55	1
Fernhurst	1,047	750	293	4
Graffham	237	40	191	6
Harting	582	424	153	5
Heyshott	146	35	109	2
Linch	28	-	28	-
Linchmere	562	439	118	5
Lodsworth	240	14	215	11
Lurgashall	225	69	152	4
Midhurst	1,302	1,288	14	-
Milland	324	16	302	6
Rogate	605	269	321	15
Stedham	353	264	85	4
Tillington	243	152	83	8
Treyford	42	-	39	3
Trotton	121	30	89	2
West Lavington	105	75	30	-
Woolbeding	66	6	57	3
TOTALS	7,341	4,644	2,617	80
Percentage of total dwellings		63.27%	35.64%	1.09%

Plans for sewerage Heyshott, Graffham, East Lavington, Lodsworth, Milland and Redford, were prepared and approved during the year.

Drainage and Sewerage (contd.)

The sewerage of West Lavington was completed and 36 houses were connected to the new sewers by the end of 1972.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

Refuse Collection:

Weekly: Elsted; Harting (South and East); West Lavington Village; Midhurst; parts of the Parishes of Bepton, Cocking, Easebourne, East Lavington, Fernhurst, Graffham, Linchmere, Lodsworth, Lurgashall, Rogate, Stedham, Tillington.

Fortnightly: Harting (West); Linch, Treyford, Woolbeding and parts of the Parishes of Bepton, Cocking, Easebourne, East Lavington, Graffham, Linchmere, Lodsworth, Lurgashall, Milland, Rogate, Stedham, Tillington, Trotton, West Lavington.

Refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping at Pendean Sandpit, West Lavington.

The Council resolved to introduce a weekly refuse collection service throughout the district from the beginning of 1973.

Cesspool Emptying Service

This work is carried out by the Council's own vehicles and where necessary four free emptyings per year are given. Emptyings numbered 1,313 during 1972.

Public Conveniences

Public conveniences are provided by the Council at Fernhurst, Harting and Midhurst.

Swimming Baths and Pools

There are no public swimming baths in the area, but in addition to the increasing number of privately owned swimming pools, the following schools have these facilities provided :

Easebourne Primary School
Elsted Primary School
Midhurst Grammar School (2)
St. Cuthman's School, Stedham

Fernhurst Primary School
Rogate Primary School
Hollycombe Primary School
West Lavington Primary School

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

Licences were granted under this Act in respect of four sites. The sites were for individual caravans with the exception of one where the maximum number of caravans stationable was 120 during the Summer months.

Caravan Sites (contd.)

There is also a camping and caravan site at East Lavington run by the Camping Club of Great Britain and Ireland, an organisation exempted from licensing.

The removal of caravans from Iping Common was achieved, and the area of land affected was made the subject of an order banning its use by caravans.

Lay-bys and other land adjoining the main traffic routes continue to be used as overnight stopping places by caravanners with consequent litter problems and fouling of adjacent land.

Public Health Act, 1936

One licence was granted under this Act for a camping site for 25 tents.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

The Department of Employment require an annual statistical report to be submitted in accordance with Section 60 of the Act, and the following table gives details of the information supplied :

Class of Premises	Number Registered during the Year	Total Number of Registered Premises at End of Year	Number of Persons Employed at End of Year
Offices ..	2	44	596
Retail Shops ..	2	86	293
Warehouses ..	-	3	24
Catering Establishments	2	16	121
Fuel Storage Depots ..	-	-	-
TOTALS ..	6	149	1034

Sixty-eight visits were made to Offices and Shops during the year and seven informal notices were served.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1954

There are no premises in the district to which these Acts apply.

Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order, 1957

There are five premises in the district licensed under this Act

Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Seven premises are licensed under this Act. During the year, two inspections were made by a Veterinary Surgeon acting on behalf of the Council.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

One premises was licensed during the year under this Act.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Rodent control at dwelling houses is carried out free of charge, one rodent operator now being employed for the purpose. During the year he dealt with 724 infestations. 210 inspections under the Act were made by the Public Health Inspectors and Technical Assistant.

Civic Amenities Act, 1967

Old vehicles dealt with by the Council numbered 115, all having been voluntarily surrendered or found abandoned and collected following the service of appropriate notices.

Clean Air Act, 1956

Eight complaints of smoke nuisance were received and investigated, one of which resulted in a prosecution; the case was dismissed.

Noise Abatement Act, 1960

Eight complaints of noise nuisance were received and investigated.

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 and 1936

The following premises were licensed during 1972 to keep petroleum spirit :

Underground storage installations	63
Can Stores	7

A fire occurred at one licensed premises in November caused by the ignition of petroleum vapour during the filling of a petrol tank of a motor car.

The incident was used to demonstrate the risk involved in the handling of petroleum spirit and it emphasized the need for observing licence conditions.

Factories Act, 1961 - Part I

The following tables are required to be included in this report by Section 153 of the Act :

Factories Act, 1961 (contd.)

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	N u m b e r o f		
		Inspec- tions (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
Factories in which Sections 1,2, 3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority ..	20	6	2	-
Factories not included in (1) in which Sec.7 is enforced by the Local Authority ..	62	20	3	-
Other premises in which Sec.7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers premises) ..	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	82	26	5	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found:

Particulars (1)	Defects		Cases Referred		Number of Cases where Prosecutions Instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Reme- died (3)	To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness(S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature(S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation(S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors(S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences(S.7):					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable/defective	4	4	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences (Not includ.) offences relating to outwork	1	1	-	-	-
TOTALS	5	5	-	-	-

Part VIII - Outwork - Sections 133 and 134

No notifications of outworkers were received.

INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Visits Made :

Housing ..	1,017	(1,823)
Improvement Grants ..	559	(579)
Qualification Certificates ..	82	(159)
Overcrowding ..	1	(3)
Drainage and sanitary conveniences	283	(451)
Drainage disposal plant & river pollution	218	(343)
Water Supplies ..	495	(417)
Abandoned cars, litter and refuse	243	(238)
Infestations ..	99	(70)
Schools ..	14	(17)
Caravans ..	116	(228)
Factories ..	26	(18)
Quarries ..	2	(15)
Offices and Shops ..	68	(20)
Infectious Disease ..	28	(52)
Food hygiene ..	234	(241)
Milk distributors ..	30	(27)
Smoke Abatement ..	43	(61)
Noise Abatement ..	90	(11)
Animal Boarding establishments	8	(11)
Miscellaneous ..	93	(116)
	<u>3,749</u>	<u>(4,900)</u>
Rodent Control (including Rodent Operator's Visits :	<u>4,299</u>	<u>(4,167)</u>
TOTALS	<u>8,048</u>	<u>(9,067)</u>

Note: For the purposes of comparison, figures for 1971, are shown in brackets.

Complaints received ..	106
Informal Notices served ..	221
Informal Notices complied with	174
Statutory Notices served under Public Health Acts 1936 and 1961	4

Section IVHOUSING

At the close of 1972, the number of applicants for Council houses was 508 compared with 457 at the end of 1971.

119 new houses were completed during the year.

Houses Erected by the Local Authority :

Parish	Address	Pre-1972	1972	Total
COCKING	- Malthouse Cottages	8	-	
	The Croft	43	-	51
EASEBOURNE	- Canada Cottages	12	-	
	Cowdray Road	34	-	
	Fox Road	20		
	Montague Road	32		
	Egmont Road	18		
	Egmont House, Egmont Road (Old People's Home & Warden's Flat)	1	-	117
ELSTED	- Hill View Cottages	12	-	12
FERNHURST	- Dale Copse Cottages	6	-	
	Old Glebe Cottages	40	-	
	Nappers Wood	110	-	
	Camelsdale House	8	-	
	Crossfield, Vann Road	20	-	184
GRAFFHAM	- Woodcote Cottages	7	-	
	Guillod Cottages	22	-	29
HARTING	- Loppers Ash Cottages	4	-	
	Knightsfield Cottages	4	-	
	Wellfield Cottages	8	-	
	Culvers, South Harting	62	-	
	Warren Side, South Harting	52	-	
	Furze Meadow, Nyewood	12	-	142
HEYSHOTT	- Austens Cottages	12	-	
	Bakersfield Cottages	4	-	
	Down Close	13	-	29
LINCHMERE	- The Spinney, Hammer Lane	6	-	
	Hammer Hill Cottages	82	-	88
LODSWORTH	- Berryfield Cottages	2	-	
	Barnfield Cottages	4	-	
	Beechfield Cottages	6	-	12
LURGASHALL	- Greengate Cottages	50	-	50
TOTALS - carried forward		714	-	714

Houses Erected by the Local Authority (contd.)

Parish	Address	Pre-1972	1972	Total
	TOTALS brought forward	714	-	714
MIDHURST	- Barnplat Cottages	12	-	
	June Meadow	12	-	
	Nine Acres, June Lane	22	-	
	June Rise, June Lane	8	-	
	Sandrock Cottages	24	-	
	St. Anne's Close	6	-	
	Taylor's Field Cottages	108	-	
	Taylor's Rise	8	-	
	New Road	24	-	
	Pitsham Depot	4	-	
	Bridgefield Close	22	-	
	Wells House, Bridgefield Close	17	-	
	The Meadway, Holmbush	-	14	
	Cobden House, Holmbush	-	17	298
MILLAND	- Chorley Common Cottages	4	-	
	Cartersland Corner	12	-	16
ROGATE	- Paddock Cottages	4	-	
	Parsonage Cottages	76	-	
	Knowles Meadow	18	-	
	Terwick Rise	18	-	116
STEDHAM	- Crossways Cottages	4	-	
	Common View Cottages	109	-	113
TILLINGTON	- Willetts Field Cottages	4	-	
	The Harrows	28	-	
	Linton House	8	-	40
TROTTON	- Mill Lane Cottages	30	-	30
WOOLBEDING	- Claypit Cottages	4	-	4
TOTALS		1,300	31	1,331

Houses purchased by the Local Authority :

1 Austens Cottages (formerly C.278 Heyshott)	..	1
Foundry Cottages, Heyshott	..	8
St. Richard's Flats, June Lane, Midhurst	..	8
2,6,7,8 and 9 Railway Terrace, Midhurst	..	5
Sandrock, Petersfield Road, Midhurst	..	3
Duck Lane, Midhurst	..	4
		1,360

Houses Erected by Private Enterprise.

Bepton	1	Lurgashall	2
Cocking	1	Midhurst	40
Easebourne	13	Milland	4
Fernhurst	3	Rogate	4
Graffham	1	Stedham	3
Harting	3	Tillington	1
Linchmere	9	West Lavington	3

Rent Act, 1957

No Certificates of Disrepair were issued during 1972 under the provisions of this Act.

Housing Act, 1969

(a) Improvement Grants. During the year applications were approved for the improvement of 55 dwellings with the aid of Discretionary Grant, 35 of which were to Parker Morris standards. 23 Dwellings were improved with the aid of Standard Grant. By the end of 1972, 968 dwellings had been improved in this way.

(b) Qualification Certificates. These certificates are granted to landlords in respect of dwellings which are the subjects of controlled tenancies to enable them to apply to the Rent Officer for the fixing of a fair rent. To qualify, dwellings must possess all the standard amenities and be in good repair.

Under the Housing Finance Act, 1972, a general programme for the conversion of tenancies from rent control to rent regulation was introduced to enable them to be converted to regulated tenancies and for fair rents to be fixed which will ultimately eliminate the need for qualification certificates.

Number of :

Applications received during the year	16
Qualification Certificates issued	32
Certificates of provisional approval	
issued	7
Applications refused	2

HOUSING STATISTICS

1. Inspection of Houses during the Year

(1) (a) Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	517
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	1,017
(2) Number of houses found not to be in all respects fit for habitation	159

Housing Statistics (contd.)

2. Remedying of Defects without Service of Formal Notice

Number of houses in which defects were remedied by informal action	118
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3. Action under Statutory Powers

(a) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:

(i) Number of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	3
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(ii) Number of houses in respect of which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	nil
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(b) Proceedings under Sections 16 and 17 - Housing Act, 1957

(1) Number of houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	2
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(2) Number of houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	nil
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(3) Number of houses in respect of which Closing Orders have been made	1
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(4) Number of houses demolished following Clearance Area procedure	10
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(5) Number of houses in respect of which Undertakings have been given that works will be carried out to render the houses fit	nil
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(6) Number of houses in respect of which Undertakings have been given that they will not be used for human habitation	2
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4. Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Overcrowding

(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at end of 1972	nil
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(ii) Number of families dwelling therein	-
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(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein	-
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(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding during 1972	nil
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(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during 1972	1
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(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	7
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(d) Number of houses again becoming overcrowded	nil
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Section V

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply

Number of :

Producer Distributors with farms in the district	nil
Retail dairies (not producing milk) in the district	3
Milk Distributors with dairies outside the district	5
Shops retailing milk	4

Three samples of milk taken from distributors during the year were submitted for examination for cleanliness by the methylene blue test, all of which were reported upon as satisfactory.

Two samples of pasteurised milk taken and submitted to the phosphatase test were satisfactory.

Brucella Abortus

(1) Number of samples of raw milk examined	1
(2) Number of positive samples found ..	nil

Thirty visits were made to retail dairies, milk shops and milk distributors.

Meat and Other Foods

There are no slaughterhouses in the district.

Details of the food premises in the district, together with inspections made during the year, are given below. To illustrate the changes which have taken place in the last ten years, the number of premises in existence in 1962 are shown in brackets.

<u>Premises</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Inspections</u>
Butchers' Shops ..	8	(7)	8
Cafes, Restaurants, Private Hotels and Guest Houses ..	26	(17)	37
Grocers and General Stores ..	29	(44)	)
Fishmongers and Poulterers ..	3	(3)	)
Greengrocers	7	(6)	) 184
Sweet Shops	8	(7)	)
Licensed Premises ..	43	(47)	)
Bakehouses	nil	(7)	nil

Meat and Other Foods (contd.)

Section 16 Registrations:

Number of premises registered for the preparation and manufacture of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale for human consumption	12	(8)
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Number of premises registered for the sale of Ice Cream	59	(69)
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There is one manufacturer of Ice Cream in the district.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1970

Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966

Food premises, stalls and delivery vehicles are inspected from time to time and every opportunity is taken to secure improvement in the standard of food hygiene.

Four prosecutions were taken under this Act in respect of the sale of dirty bacon, a cake containing hair grips, a mouldy pie, and a loaf of bread containing a mouse dropping. Convictions were obtained in each case and fines totalling £77.35 were imposed.

The following foodstuffs were voluntarily surrendered as being unfit for human consumption :

Cooked and Canned Meat ..	6 Lbs
Frozen food - due to refrigeration breakdown ..	3 Cwts. $3\frac{3}{4}$ Lbs.

Regulations 18 and 21 (Provision of Wash-hand basins and sinks)

All the food premises mentioned above comply with Regulations 18 and 21 of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1970.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933

Slaughter of Animals (Amendment) Act, 1954

There are no slaughtermen licensed under the provisions of these Acts.

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963

There are no egg pasteurisation plants in the district.

Poultry Inspection

There are no poultry processing premises in the district.

Section VI

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF DISEASES

Infectious disease notifications totalled 18 during the year. They were Measles (16); Meningococcal Meningitis (1) and Tuberculosis (Kidney) (1).

Details are set out in the tables at the end of this Section.

Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968

The Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1968

The consolidating Regulations, which came into force on the 1st October, 1968, made provision for notification of the following diseases :

Acute encephalitis	Infective Jaundice	Relapsing Fever
Acute Meningitis	Leprosy	Scarlet Fever
Acute Poliomyelitis	Leptospirosis	Smallpox
Amoebic Dysentery	Malaria	Tetanus
Anthrax	Measles	Tuberculosis
Bacillary dysentery	Ophthalmia	Typhoid Fever
Cholera	Neonatorum	Typhus
Food Poisoning	Plague	Whooping Cough
Diphtheria	Paratyphoid Fever	Yellow Fever

The Public Health (Fees for Notifications of Infectious Disease) Order, 1968

This Order, in operation on the 1st October, 1968, requires the local authority to pay the medical practitioner a fee of five shillings for each certificate of notification, except a certificate sent by a medical practitioner serving in the Forces.

CANCER

Deaths attributed to Cancer in 1972 numbered 48 (28 males, 20 females) (41 deaths during the previous year).

The Cancer Death Rate is 2.4 per 1,000 of the estimated home population (2.1 in 1971). The corresponding Rate for the Administrative County is 3.2 per 1,000 population.

The following table gives details of the localisation of the disease :

	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>
Oesophagus	-	2	2	Breast	-	3	3
Stomach	3	3	6	Prostate	2	-	2
Intestine	7	2	9	Leukaemia	1	1	2
Lung, Bronchus	9	2	11	Other neoplasms	6	7	13

DIPHTHERIA

(a) Notifications. No cases of Diphtheria were notified in 1972, nor were any deaths registered as due to this cause. No confirmed cases have occurred in the District since 1945.

(b) Immunisation. Immunisation against Diphtheria is carried out either at the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics or by the General Practitioners, and set out below are details of injections of all types recorded by the County Health Department during 1972 :

Antigen	Primary Courses	Reinforcing Injections
Triple DTP	171	-
Dip./Tetanus	10	206
Polio (Sabin)	188	338
Measles	177	-
Rubella	267	-
Tetanus	-	135

POLIOMYELITIS

No cases were notified during 1972. No confirmed cases have occurred in the District since 1957.

Vaccination against poliomyelitis can be arranged through the County Health Department, Metropolitan House, Northgate, Chichester (Telephone - Chichester 85100), and at Health Centres and Welfare Clinics.

SMALLPOX

Routine vaccination of infants has been discontinued since 1971.

TUBERCULOSIS

One case of Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis was notified during the year and one death was recorded as due to this cause. The death rate from Respiratory Tuberculosis for the Administrative County is again 0.02 per 1000 of the estimated home population.

The following table gives details of the number of patients shown on the Tuberculosis Register but no information of any removals has been received during 1972 :

Tuberculosis (contd.)

Tuberculosis Register

	Pulmonary Cases			Non-Pulmonary Cases			Total Cases (all forms)		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Number of cases on Register at 1st January, 1972 ..	48	45	93	5	7	12	53	52	105
Cases added to Register during 1972 - primary notifications ..	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1
TOTALS	48	45	93	6	7	13	54	52	106
Cases removed during the year ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number on Register at 31st December, 1972	48	45	93	6	7	13	54	52	106

Number of cases added to the Register annually for the last ten years, together with details of the total cases on the Register during this period:

Year	Primary Cases added to the Register			Total Cases on Register at 31st December		
	Total	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
1963	7	7	-	84	73	11
1964	3	1	2	87	74	13
1965	4	4	-	89	77	12
1966	3	3	-	92	80	12
1967	5	5	10	100	88	12
1968	1	1	-	101	89	12
1969	1	1	-	104	92	12
1970	1	1	-	105	93	12
1971	-	-	-	105	93	12
1972	1	-	1	106	93	13

Table Showing Cases of Infectious Diseases Notified During the Year 1972

Disease	Total Cases Notified			Total Deaths	Age Distribution of Notified Cases											
	M	F	Total		0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	65-
Measles ..	10	6	16	-	1	1	-	1	11	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Meningococcal Meningitis ..	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis - Non-Pulmonary ..	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS ..	11	7	18	1	1	1	-	1	11	1	2	-	-	-	-	

No notifications were received of the undermentioned diseases :

Acute Meningitis	Food Poisoning	Relapsing Fever
Acute Poliomyelitis	Infective Jaundice	Scarlet Fever
Amoebic Dysentery	Leptospirosis	Smallpox
Anthrax	Malaria	Tetanus
Cholera	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Typhoid Fever
Diphtheria	Plague	Typhus
Dysentery (Bacillary)	Paratyphoid Fever	Whooping Cough
Encephalitis	Leprosy	Yellow Fever

Infectious Disease Notifications 1963 - 1972

D i s e a s e	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Dysentery ..	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	-	-
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Enteric Fevers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	1	44	-	7	3	-	1	-	-
Measles ..	271	62	309	170	119	171	12	44	3	16
Meningococcal Infections	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis (pulmonary	7	1	4	-	5	2	1	1	-	-
(non-pulmonary	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	4	5	1	-	1	3	-	-	1	-
Infective Jaundice *	-	-	-	-	-	6	13	6	1	-

* Disease first notifiable in June, 1968

